BUT A THIN BLUE LINE OF MARCHING VETERANS IN MEMORIAL DAY'S PARADE

Old Soldiers Deck the Graves of Those Gone Ahead.

GRAY HAIRS, TORN FLAGS.

Escorted by the Sturdy Young Irish Volunteers.

REVIEWED BY THE MAYOR.

More Honors to Grant's Memory at the Tomb on Riverside Drive.

MILITARY POMP AT WEST POINT.

Secretary of War Alger Receives the Imposing Battle Monument on Behalf of the

The morning sky was gray but the uni-

The parade in the day's honor was, in one view, touching, pathetic. 'Twas but a thin blue line of veterans that marched past the monument to Worth, who himself had added to his country's glory. Each year they are fewer, these veterans, and their step more halting, feeble. Soon they will have gone, soldiers of Grant, of Sherman, of Sheridan, to rejoin all the heroes who led them in war, who led them to death.

So much, or so little, for the Spirit of Memorial Day as it seemed to pervade

thusiastic. It may be mentioned the in the wind shall and thousans the more entities. It may be mentioned to and the shall had anything to do. Then down the avenue came wildly running a very small girl, who were a green frock. Her face was crimson, perspiration was pouring from the heroes who led them in war, who led them to death.

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So much, or so little, for the Spirit of Memorial Day as it seemed to pervade New York and her sister cities by marriage. But do not imagine that a funeral only the child.

What's the matter, my child?" asked at Washington. It was laid on the left to the parade which appealed to the big inspector, while many sympathetic people in the reviewing stands watched only the child.

The feature of the parade which appealed to the public most keenly and never falled people in the reviewing stands watched only the child. procession murched down Fifth avenue. Be only the child. you extol them. Honor wrings no tears. my papa in the parade and I let go his In that line, besides the veterans who have hand and lost him. My sister's around ight, were the Regulars who live by here. She was waiting until we marched fighting, militiamen who are ready to fight by. and cadets who will fight when they grow

The parade, in truth, typified the Inev-

the brave look the Inevitable in the face.

In the parade were soldlers who call themselves frishmen, because their fathers

This little one, who thought every one because he had a hat saved the Republic.

men were contesting in athletic games that will add to their courage and their strength and make them better old men, and as the veterans disappear these young men will arise and take their places. So how converges can Memorial Day be mountful? Where enters the funeral procession? The Grand Army of the Republic can never die, for each year fresh young blood drawn



Secretary of War Alger Receives the Battle Monument at West Point for the Army.

amplification of the true spirit of the day. packed the stand near Riverside Drive and passed out the crowd rushed in, and it Thus, on Memorial Day, were blended the derson Post, No. 167, and the sec-Thus, on Memorial Day, were blended the colors of those two old American armies whose survivors are brethren now.

These Union veterans, in this city and in the cluster of cittes around, decked the graves of those who have gone before the Grand Commander of All Armles, with buts and wreaths and growing plants, symbols of the eternal youth of gratitude; of honor and gloxy ever renewed. The pattering rain, too, will keep green these graves.

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theerful. You do not weep for the glorious, lost my big sister. I was walking with

"Why, he's Mister Nevens. Have you seen him. He has a number on his hat. Itable. It could not be mournful, because | I'm Frances Nevens and I live at Seventy-

were born on the Old Sod, but who are in-deed true Americans. There were also "number on his hat," began to weep help-Frenchmen and Italians, and men whose fathers may have been kings in Africa. These French and German and Italian and negroes are to-day all good and true citizens of the United States, and their sons and their sons to the remotest generated by the sons and their sons to the remotest generated by the sons and their sons to the remotest generated by the sons and their sons to the remotest generated by the sons and their sons to the remotest generated by the sons are the sons to the remotest generated by the sons to the remotest generated by the sons to the sons to the remotest generated by the sons to the remotest generated by the sons to the sons and their sons' sons, to the remotest generation, will honor the memory of the Grand child's sister, who must have seen her run And while this parade was passing young for once, a very small needle was found in masted, and the Indiana, taking this as the respectively.

Another floral contribution that attracted trention came from the Chinese Minister t Washington. It was laid on the left

TROOPS THAT MARCHED. the tardy arrival of Grant How the Line of the Parade Reviewed by Mayor Strong Was

Made Up.

The nation's old defenders, members of when they stand directly in the way of the sweeping scythe of the grim reaper, and before so forcefully brought to the atten Park hair, more laggard of foot and shorter of ed the breath. But the spirit of '61 was there. quers in this city, who president's The courage and tenacity of purpose that carried them through the gory Wilderness

the members of the en-Department vied with our efforts to safely lend throng an extremely old had fought under Gen-ished to leave two pot-licits to leave two pot-tless two pot-

Start of the Procession. The procession moved promptly at 10:30 As- Thirty-first street, and it lost no time in

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Exercises at Grant's Tomb-Bishop Newman Lays a Flower on the Grave of the "Greatest Soldier."

distance from the monument, which is on \$45,000 was thus collected.

McKinley Helps Honor the Nation's Heroic Dead.

PRESIDENT'S TRIBUTE.

Executive Attends the Exercises in Arlington Cemetery.

DAY IN OTHER CITIES.

Graves of Union Soldiers in the South and Canada Were Not Forgotten.

WREATHS FROM EX-REBELS.

Delegation at Vicksburg, Miss., Following Out an Old Custom, Strew Flowers Over Union Graves.

Washington, May 31.-Memorial Day was, generally observed in Washington. The Senate adjourned over for the day and the House held only a fifteen-minute session. All the departments and the business houses were closed and the day was given up to patriotic observance and tributes to the heroic dead.

The bronze statues of the nation's heroes on land and sea in the Government reservations and parks wert shrouded in the flags under which they fought. The most imposing ceremonies were held in the national cemetery, at Arlington, which was before the war the magnificent estate of Robert E. Lee, the confederate chieftain The exercises there to-day wee made par-ticularly memorable by the presence of Pesident McKinley.

Exercises were subsequently held at the Amphitheatre. Among the distinguished guests on the stage besides the Pesident, whose presence was greetd with an uproar of applause were Vice President Hobart, Secretary of State Sherman, Senator Allison and the delegates to the International Posal Union.

Services were also conducted in the Soldiers' Home Cemetery, at the tomb of General John A. Leger, and in the Co. gressional, St. Elizabeth's, Oak Hill, Holy Hood and all of the other cemeteries in and about Washington, where the Union dead found resting places.

A large majority of the members of the Union Veteran Union left for Winchester, Va., early this morning to participate in the exercises of Memorial Day there, A noticeable feature of the exercise

here to-day was the great inroads th past few years have made in the rangs of the veterans. In several instances the bands outnumbered the posts they were escorting.

Southern Graves Not Forgotten. Chattanooga, Tenn., May 31.—The graves of 14,000 Union soldiers buried in the National Cemetery at this place were decorated to-day with elaborate ceremonies. Captain J. H. MacGowan, of Washington, delivered the oration. An immense throng of people were present.

Ex-Confederates Strew Flowers Vicksburg, Miss., May 31,-An immense ssembly joined in the ceremonies of Decoy. In accordance with a custom of ars a delegation of Confederate vet-ans took offerings of flowers to the ceme-cy in the afternoon and scattered them

Johnstown Graves Decorated